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The communication filed 2-28-02 is not fully responsive to the communication mailed 1-22-02 for the reason(s) set forth below. It is noted that the notice to comply with the sequence rules indicated that the claims failed to comply with 37 CFR 1.821(d). It is noted that pending claims 3-18, 20 and 22-26 are still not in compliance as specifically required in the previous notice to comply. If a complete reply has not been submitted by the time the shortened statutory period set in the communication mailed 1-22-02 has expired, this application will become abandoned unless applicant corrects the deficiency and obtains an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no case may an applicant extend the period for reply beyond the SIX MONTH statutory period.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this general application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

Papers relating to this application may be submitted to Technology Center 1600, Group 1640 by facsimile transmission. The faxing of such papers must conform with the notice published in the Official Gazette, 1096 OG 30 (November 15, 1989). Should applicant wish to FAX a response, the current FAX number for Group 1600 is (703) 308-4242.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Patricia A. Duffy, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (703) 305-7555. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday-Saturday from 10:00 AM to 6:30 PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lynette Smith, can be reached at (703) 308-3909.

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